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SUBJECT: BILATERAL WITH BOTSWANA MINISTER

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1. DR. CHIEPE IS A RESPECTED AND TRUSTED MEMBER OF GOB CABINET. SHE IS ONE OF BOTSWANA'S MOST PROMINENT OFFICIALS AS MINISTER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY AND FORMER HIGH COMMISSIONER TO LONDON WITH SIMULTANEOUS ACCREDITATION AS AMBASSADOR TO A NUMBER OF WESTERN EUROPEAN COUNTRIES. DR. CHIEPE IS CLOSE TO THE PRESIDENT AND HAS INFLUENCE WITH HIM.

2. RECOMMEND BILATERAL WITH CHIEPE WHICH I BELIEVE WOULD SERVE OUR POLICY INTERESTS. DR. CHIEPE COULD DISCUSS GOB POSITIONS ON SOUTHERN AFRICAN ISSUES, PROVIDE GOB LIKELY REACTION TO ANY QUESTIONS SECRETARY MAY RAISE, AND REPORT ACCURATELY TO PRESIDENT KHAMA.

3. PLEASE ADVISE.
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